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For : A SYSTEM FOR DAMPING THERMO-ACOUSTIC INSTABILITY  
                    IN A COMBUSTOR DEVICE FOR A GAS TURBINE

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated October 3, 2008, setting a shortened three-month statutory period for response to expire on January 3, 2009, the period for reply being extended to expire on February 3, 2009 by the accompanying one-month Request for Extension of Time, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objections and rejections in view of the herein-contained amendments and remarks. If any extension of time is necessary, this is an express request for any necessary extension of time and authorization to charge any required extension of time fee or any other fees which may be required to preserve the pendency of the present application to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 2 of this document.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this document.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 4 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this document.

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

A Replacement Sheet of Drawings containing Figures 1 and 4 is attached hereto. The Replacement Sheet of Drawings contain replacement Figure 1. In this regard, Applicant submits that Figure 1 has been amended to show the asymmetrical positioning of the resonators.

**Attachments: 1 Replacement Sheet of Drawings.**